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In re application of: ) Art Unit: 1638  
Heard et al. ) Examiner: D. Kruse  
Serial No: 09/533,029 )  
Filed: 3/22/00 )  
For: Disease-Induced Polynucleotides )

## AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Dear Sir:

The following correspondence is sent in response to the Office communication  
mailed March 20, 2001.

## In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

Replace the title with the following: TRANSGENIC PLANTS COMPRISING  
POLYNUCLEOTIDES ENCODING TRANSCRIPTION FACTORS THAT CONFER  
DISEASE TOLERANCE.

Replace the abstract of the invention with the following:

N.E.  
The present invention provides a transgenic plant comprising a polynucleotide  
encoding a transcription factor that may be used to confer disease tolerance to the  
plant. Further, the invention provides a method for altering the disease tolerance of a  
plant by altering the expression levels of the polynucleotide encoding the transcription  
factor, and the polynucleotide and polypeptide sequences themselves

## In the Claims

Please enter the following amended claims:

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